IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

ERIC LANG, No. 4:23-CV-00602

Plaintiff, (Chief Judge Brann)

v. (Magistrate Judge Carlson)

KILOLO KIJAKAZI, Acting Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

<u>ORDER</u>

DECEMBER 6, 2023

Eric Lang filed this action seeking review of a decision by the Acting Commissioner of Social Security ("Commissioner") denying Lang's claim for social security disability benefits.¹ On November 20, 2023, Magistrate Judge Martin C. Carlson issued a Report and Recommendation recommending that this Court vacate the Commissioner's decision, remand this matter for further proceedings, and close this case.² No timely objections were filed to this Report and Recommendation.

Where no objection is made to a report and recommendation, this Court will review the recommendation only for clear error.³ Regardless of whether timely

¹ Docs. 1, 11.

² Doc. 17.

Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b), advisory committee notes; *see Henderson v. Carlson*, 812 F.2d 874, 878 (3d Cir. 1987) (explaining that court should in some manner review recommendations regardless of whether objections were filed).

objections are made, district courts may accept, reject, or modify—in whole or in

part—the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge.⁴ Upon review

of the record, the Court finds no error—clear or otherwise—in Magistrate Judge

Carlson's conclusion that the Commissioner's decision is not supported by

substantial evidence. Consequently, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Magistrate Judge Martin C. Carlson's Report and Recommendation

(Doc. 17) is **ADOPTED**;

2. The Commissioner's decision is VACATED, and this matter is

REMANDED for further proceedings consistent with this Order and

Magistrate Judge Carlson's Report and Recommendation;

3. Final Judgment is entered in favor of Plaintiff and against Defendant

pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 58 and sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g);

4. The Clerk of Court is directed to **CLOSE** this case.

BY THE COURT:

s/Matthew W. Brann

Matthew W. Brann

Chief United States District Judge

⁴ 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); Local Rule 72.31.

2